



Testimony Regarding the Drone Use Regulation Study

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Dear Senator Kissel, Representative Mushinsky, Senator Fonfara, Representative Carpino, and distinguished members of the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee,

My name is Kevin Dillon, and I am the Executive Director of the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA). **I am submitting this testimony regarding the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee's study on Drone Use Regulations.**

As the regulatory body for aviation matters within the State of Connecticut, the CAA is concerned by the prospect of drone proliferation in the State and the potential impact on public safety. The CAA is monitoring developments at the federal level, and we are confident that our partners in the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will promulgate fair regulations that will ensure the safety of all travelers, operators, and the general public. We plan to mirror the upcoming FAA regulations once they are formally enacted with regulations of our own, which we plan to enforce at the State level to ensure consistency.

In addition to the FAA regulations, the CAA is committed to working with the legislature and other interested parties to consider and implement any additional steps that are deemed necessary. We thank the Legislative Program Review and Investigations Committee for studying this important issue, and we look forward to continuing this discussion and working together in the coming months.

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to submit this testimony. Please feel free to contact my office at (860) 292-2054 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Kevin A. Dillon'.

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